

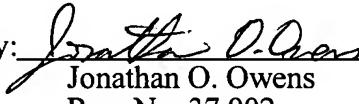
REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration in view of the above amendments. Claims 1 and 36-56 are pending after the above amendments.

Applicants respectfully submit that the Claims 1 and 36-56 are in a condition for allowance, and allowance at an early date would be appreciated. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (408) 530-9700 to discuss the same so that any outstanding issues can be expeditiously resolved.

Respectfully submitted,
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